

# Making the Modern Academic Librarian

## The *Supporting Researchers in the 21<sup>st</sup> Century* Programme

### What?

Open to all Cambridge library staff and running year round, *Supporting Researchers* aims to educate and inform about the rapidly evolving area of scholarly communication. Using a mixture of workshops and formal training the programme aims to ensure that staff are fully equipped to support the Cambridge research community in the 21<sup>st</sup> century.

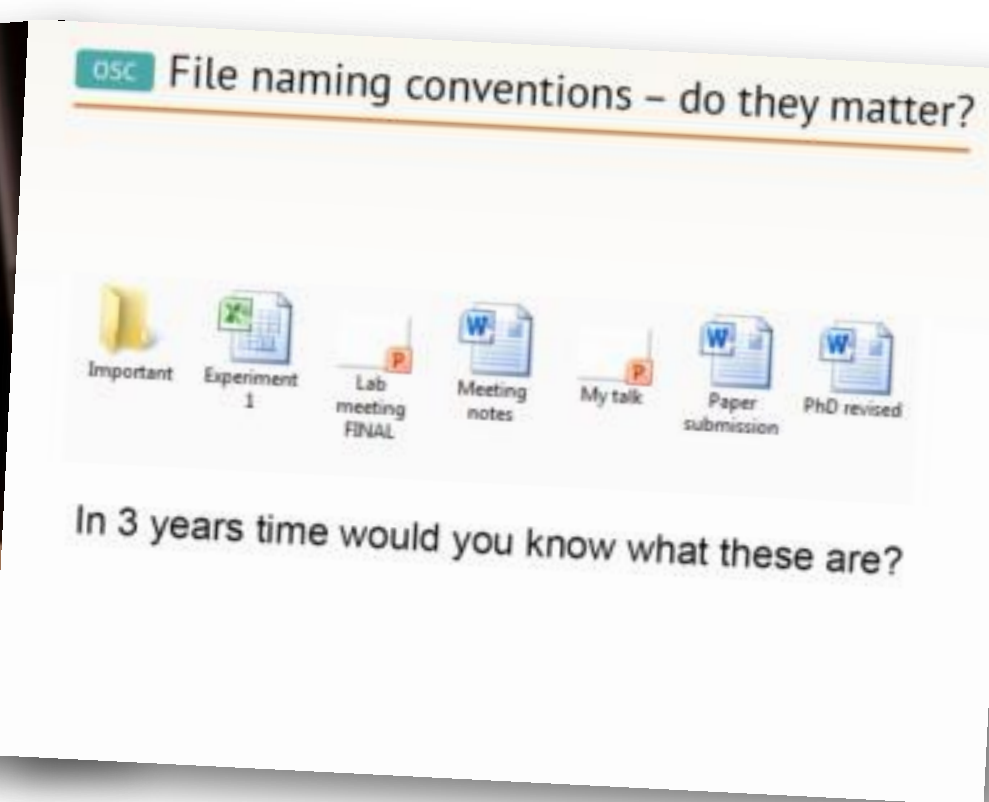
Scholarly communication is the process of scholars sharing their research findings with the wider academic community and beyond. Supporting this activity offers exciting challenges for library staff but in order to take full advantage they need to develop their skills. *Supporting Researchers* offers them a chance to do this within a local context.

### Why?

### Format

Interactive workshops and hands on training

Example slides



### Topics covered

Open Access

Copyright

Altmetrics

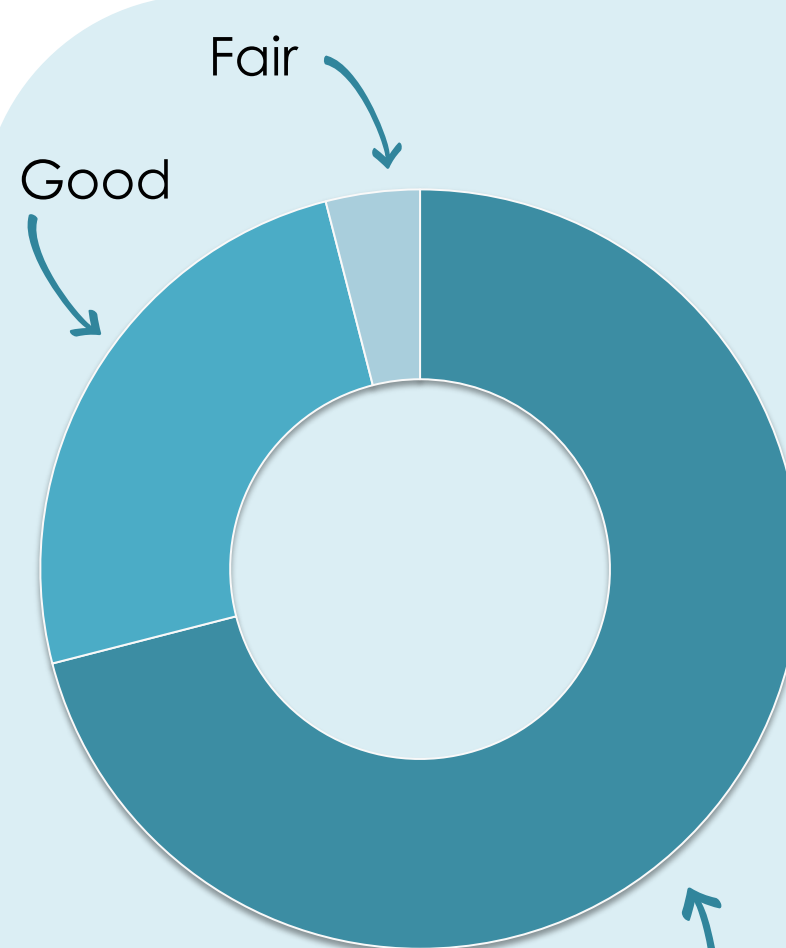
'Predatory' publishers

Choosing a journal

Metadata

Research Data Management

### Facts & figures



72% rated sessions as excellent

Over 30 events for library staff in 2016



Nearly 500 staff across libraries and levels

### Feedback

very engaging ... got through a lot without it getting too boring or slow!

I learnt a lot about metrics and the confidence to go and find out more

Really informative and not as scary as I thought it would be

I feel so much better about advising researchers now!

### Future plans

Competing priorities and workloads can make finding time to attend formal training difficult. As a result of feedback we are investigating blended learning approaches and making all static content available via Moodle as default. We also continue

to respond to developments in scholarly communication by increasing the range of training we offer and work with staff to offer tailored training opportunities.

Moodle

